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SUBJECT: USEC/J SENIOR AMERICAN AWARDS FOR 1977-78

USEC/J CONSIDERS THIS YEAR'S PANEL ONE OF BEST IN RECENT YEARS. UNFORTUNATELY, VERY FEW GRANTS TO DISTRIBUTE. AT DECEMBER 14 MEETING, COMMISSION APPROVED FOLLOWING CANDIDATES FOR NOMINATION TO BFS:

- 1. LECTURERS: FOUR AWARDS TO BROWNELL, CANTELON, RUYLE AND VAN NESS. LTERNATES IN RANK ORDER ARE HANRIEDER, LARKIN, GOIST, CONNOR, CLARK AND HORAN. FIFTH AWARD TEMPORARILY RESERVED PENDING DECISION TO RENEW ZEUGNER WHO IS TEACHING IN OSAKA UNIVERSITY'S AMERICAN STUDIES PROGRAM. BOTH PARTIES HAVE EXPRESSED INTEREST IN RENEWING BUT DEPENDS ON ZEUGNER RECEIVING APPROVAL FOR EXTENDED LEAVE OF ABSENCE FROM HOME INSTITUTION.
- 2. MACDONALD AND VIDICH VERY DISTINGUISHED AND WOULD BE WASTED IN REGULAR COURSES. NAMES FORWARDED TO KYOTO AMERICAN STUDIES SEMINAR FOR POSSIBLE CONSIDERATION AS DISTRINGUISHED LECTURERS FOR 1977 SEMINR BUT SELECTIONS ALREADY MADE AS EXPLAINED IN SEPARATE CABLE ON KYOTO SEMINAR. WILL REQUEST CONSIDERATION FOR 1978 SUMMER SEMINAR. THEIR APPLICATIONS ALSO BEING CIRCULATED TO VARIOUS ORGANIZATIONS AND UNIVERSITIES WHO MAY WISH TO INVITE AT OWN EXPENSE OR COSTSHARING BASIS.
- 3. RESEARCHERS: PRINCIPALS: COLE, VALIANT, GORDON AND MACDOUGALL. FIFTH AWARD TO EITHER HOOVER, THAYER OR BURKHAM HELD OPEN PENDING RECEIPT OF IIE AND FURTHER JOURNALISM NOMINATIONS AND UNTIL JAPAN FOUNDATION NOMINATIONS KNOWN UNCLASSIFIED

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SINCE COMMISSION WISHES TO MAKE AWARDS TO THOSE WHO HAVE NOT

SUBMITTED MULTIPLE APPLICATIONS. AWARDS TO ALL RESEARCHERS WILL CONSEQUENTLY NOT BE MADE UNTIL FEBRUARY. THIS SHOULD NOT POSE PROBLEM SINCE JAPAN FOUNDATION AND HEW DO NOT ANNOUNCE AWARDS UNTIL MARCH OR LATER AND USEC/J WISHES TO SPREAD OPPORTUNITIES IN VIEW OF HIGH CALIBER OF ALL NOMINEES. WOULD BE MOST HELPFUL IF CIES OR DEPARTMENT CAN DISCREETLY INVESTIGATE WHETHER THAYER AND OTHERS UNDER CONSIDERATION FOR JF OR HEW GRANTS. GOULD ALSO STRONG CANDIDATE BUT USEC/J LEARNED HE HAS BEEN OFFERED JSPS GRANT SO NOT CONSIDERED FOR FULBRIGHT.

- 4. JAPAN INTERPRETER PRINCIPAL, ERIC JOHNSON. BIX FIRST ALTERNATE, FISHER SECOND ALTERNATE.
- 5. JOURNALISTC PRINCIPAL, JOHN DOUGLAS. SECOND AWARD OPEN PENDING FUTTHER NOMINATIONS FROM CIES. IF NONE FORTHCOMING WILL DIVERT TO RESEARCH CATEGORY.
- 6. CREATIVE ARTIST: ONE AWARD OPEN PENDING RECEIPT OF IIE NOMINATIONS FOR THE SAME CATEGORY. FOR NOW ABRAMOWICZ PRINCIPAL. SORKIN, HARRIS, CHESNEY AND HOARD ALTERNATES IN THAT ORDER.
- 7. BFS APPROVAL ON ALL NOMINEES REQUESTED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. HODGSON

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